Office of the Narcotics control Bureau in North Eastern Regions

1089. SHRIMATI KAMALA SINHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to stated:

(a) whether there is any office of Narcotics Control Bureau in the North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, what are the strength and details of functioning of the office;

(c) what is the figure of drugs seized in this area in the past three years; and

(d) whether such seizures are affected by officers posted in the zone?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH). (a) Yes, Sir. There is a Regional unit of Narcotics Control Bureau functioning at Imphal from December, 1990.

(b) The sanctioned strength of the staff for the office and the working strength are as under:-

	Sanctioned	Working
1. Asstt. Director .	1	1
2. Superintendent .	1	1
3. Intelligence Officers .	5	3
4. Stenographer .	1	..
5. Sepoy .	5	..
6. Driver .	1	1

(c) The details of seizure of drugs in all the seven North-Eastern States during the past three years are given below:—

(In Kgs)

Year	Heroin	Ganja	Opium	Cocaine	Mandrax
1988	6	7554	27	..	1·5
1989	20	17773	82	2·660	..
1990	9	1757	..	..	..

(d) The above seizure of drugs are effected by various enforcement agencies operating in the area which includes Narcotics Control Bureau, Customs, Police, State Excise authorities etc.

Trade Pact Signed with USSR

1090. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and the Soviet Union have recently signed a trade pact, if so, what is the likely turnover in Rupee in 1991, indicating the major items of our exports and imports;

(b) whether it is a fact that inadequate transport infrastructure may hit our trade with USSR as reported in the Financial Express dated the 15th February, 1991; and if so, what remedial steps Government have taken in this regard; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that supplies of items like metal scrap pig iron, raw hides and crude oil from USSR are lower than India planned for, if so, what action Government propose to take to ease the situation including handling of Cargo facilities at Indian Ports during Monsoon season?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTI LAL PUROSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) The Indo-Soviet Trade Protocol for 1991, providing for a total trade turnover of Rs. 9411 crores, was